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Official meetings

[There are no official meetings scheduled at Headquarters on *Monday, 30 May 2016*, official holiday.]

Security Council

10:00 — 7702nd meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7702nd meeting) — 7703rd meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507)

General Assembly

Seventieth session

15:00 — Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

15:00 — Conference Room 2

Informal informal consultations on the final draft resolution on the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representative and permanent observer.]

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Executive meeting
2. Climate Change Support Team

Security Council

Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 7

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Briefing

13:15 to 14:45 *Economic and Social Council Chamber*

Briefing, convened by the Vice-President of the Council (Switzerland), on the annual report of the Secretary-General on "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (A/71/82–E/2016/60) and on the preparations for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2016 session of the Economic and Social Council

All are invited.

Informal consultations

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland), on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the Council (Switzerland)

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2016 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 27th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/CRP.8 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.9) [item 3 (a)]
2. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2016/2/Add.27, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.28, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.29, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.30, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.31, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.32, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.33, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.34, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.35, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.36, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.37,

E/C.2/2016/2/Add.38, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.39, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.40, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.41, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.42, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.43, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.44, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.45, E/C.2/2016/2/Add.46 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.11) [item 4 (b)]

3. Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2016/CRP.10) [item 4 (a)]
4. Other related matters (E/C.2/2016/CRP.12, E/C.2/2016/CRP.13, E/C.2/2016/CRP.14, E/C.2/2016/CRP.15, E/C.2/2016/CRP.16 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.17) [item 6 (c)]
5. Consideration of special reports [item 7]

15:00 to 18:00 — 28th meeting — Conference Room 1

1. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]
2. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]
3. Consideration of special reports [item 7]

[Members of the Committee, as well as observers who wish to attend the session, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbal to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org), with a copy to komatina@un.org: Room S-3057. Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*). Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.]

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-sixth session

09:30 to 10:30 — Registration for members — Conference Room 5

11:00 — 2nd meeting (closed) — Conference Room 5

1. Election of officers [item 1]
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work [item 2]

Provisional agenda (E/AC.51/2016/1)

Status of documentation: Note by the Secretariat (E/AC.51/2016/L.1/Rev.1)

General discussion

Morning (following the adjournment of the 2nd meeting) to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 5

Informal briefings on

Organizational issues of the session (by the Secretariat)

Proposed Strategic Framework for the period 2018-2019 (by the Director, Programme Planning and Budget Division, Mr. Johannes Huisman)

15:00 to 18:00 3rd meeting (closed) Conference Room 5

1. Programme questions [item 3]

   (a) Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 2014-2015

   Report of the Secretary-General on the programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 2014-2015 (A/71/75)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Coordination questions [item 4]

   (a) Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination

   Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2015 (E/2016/56)

   Introduction and general discussion

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal briefing

10:00 to 12:00 Hank Shannon Conference Room (DC1-Building, 21st Floor)

Informal briefing on the revised UNDP evaluation policy

All interested delegations are invited.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Third Industrial Development Decade for Africa (2016-2025)" (under agenda item 15) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

10:00 to 13:00 Informal informal consultations Conference Room B

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Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) (at the ambassadorial level)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting *Trusteeship Council Chamber*

Group of 77 (on the humanitarian affairs segment)

10:00 to 11:30 Closed meeting Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

11:30 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room C

High-level event entitled "National Contributions to Sustainable Development Goal 7 and Sustainable Energy for All (Astana EXPO-2017): Exploring New Horizons" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan, the Department of Economic and Social Council (DESA), the United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS), Sustainable Energy for All, the National Company Astana EXPO-2017, Nazarbayev University, the International Secretariat of G-Global and the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development)

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Ruslan Bultrikov, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail bultrikov@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900).

Special event entitled "Building Bridges – Not Boycotts" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Israel)

[webcast]

10:00 to 12:00 General Assembly Hall

13:15 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 4

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Michal Carmeli, Permanent Mission of Israel (e-mail unevents@newyork.mfa.gov.il; tel. 1 (212) 499-5696).

Special event entitled "Fast Track the HIV/AIDS Response for Adolescents and Youth" (on the occasion of the negotiations on the political declaration of the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Kenya and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Renata Cap, UNFPA (e-mail cap@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-5187).

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link
www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 — Conference Room 2

Informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

10:00 — *Conference Room 3*

Informal consultations on the zero draft modalities resolution for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 24 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

10:00 — Conference Room 12

15:00 — Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

Tuesday, 2 June 2016

10:00 — Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the modalities and organizational arrangements of the high-level plenary meeting to address large movements of refugees and migrants

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 27 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level thematic conversation

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 and 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

High-level thematic conversation on children and youth affected by violent extremism, convened by the President of the General Assembly

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 March and 27 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Schedule of General Assembly informal meetings with candidates for the post of Secretary-General

Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with resolution 69/321, the General Assembly will conduct informal dialogues with candidates for the post of Secretary-General, providing candidates an opportunity to present their candidatures and Member States with an opportunity to ask questions and interact with them. Each segment will consist of a two hour time slot. For more information regarding the schedule, please *click here*.

Member States are requested to limit their interventions to *two minutes* (*three minutes* for groups); questions posed by groups are encouraged. A mechanism to facilitate compliance with the time limit will be installed. Representatives from civil society will be given the floor per segment to ask a question, time permitting.

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 February and 24 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level meeting of the General Assembly on HIV/AIDS

(Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016)

Pursuant to decision 68/555 of 30 June 2014 and resolution 70/228 of 23 December 2015, a high-level meeting of the General Assembly to undertake a comprehensive review of the progress achieved in realizing the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS of 2006 and 2011, will be held from Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the General Assembly Hall for plenary meetings and the Trusteeship Council Chamber for the thematic panel discussions. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, 22 April, 3 and 11 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. Delegations wishing to speak during the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that statements in plenary should not exceed *five minutes* when speaking in national capacity and to *eight minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 — 26th meeting — Conference Room 3

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (A/C.4/70/L.24) [item 56]

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Thursday, 2 June 2016

09:30 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 1

Open-ended informal consultations, chaired by His Excellency E. Courtenay Rattray (Jamaica), in his capacity as the Chair-designate of the Sixth Biennial Meeting of States

For relevant documents, please *click here*.

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 — Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda and programme of work are contained in documents A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.2, respectively. For further information, please *click here*.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretary, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mail chen50@un.org); fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Informal hearings with representatives of major groups and other stakeholders in preparation for the Conference

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 — Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, two-day informal hearings with representatives of major groups and other stakeholders, convened to exchange views with countries on the zero draft of the outcome document of the Conference

[A letter from the Co-Chairs, dated 16 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The programme and detailed supporting documentation will be made available on the Conference website (please *click here*).]

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference, convened by the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference

[The Co-Chairs have circulated in a letter dated 6 May 2016 to all permanent representatives and permanent observers the zero draft outcome document of the Conference. To view the zero draft outcome document, please *click here*.]

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects

Informal open meeting

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Informal open meeting to consider lessons learned from the first cycle of the Regular Process and the way forward towards implementation of the second cycle, in advance of the upcoming seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, to take place at Headquarters (3-9 August 2016)

The provisional agenda and annotated provisional agenda are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (*click here*).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal briefings

Thursday, 9 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

Friday, 10 June 2016

14:00 to 15:30 Conference Room 9

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Monday, 13 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

Informal negotiations on draft decisions

Monday, 13 June 2016

12:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Friday, 17 June 2016

14:00 to 15:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

15:00 to 16:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/2: Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

16:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/3: Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

[Given the limited duration of the annual session, the negotiations on the above draft decisions will continue within the timeframe of the Board session on Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016. Further details on the annual session will be published in due course. Draft decisions and any relevant information will be electronically circulated by the secretariat, on behalf of the facilitators, initially for written comments.]

Pre-session informal meeting

Monday, 20 June 2016

10:00 to 10:30 Conference Room 4

As per its rules of procedure, pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board in advance of the 2016 annual session

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Security Council

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on sexual violence in conflict, in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Open briefing

Wednesday, 8 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will hold an open briefing to all Member States on the work of the Committee and the comprehensive review of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). All Member States are invited.

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a comprehensive review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Coordination and management meeting

Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Coordination and management meeting, chaired by the Vice-President of the Council, His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava (Zimbabwe)

For additional information, including the programme of work, please consult the Website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

The schedule of the *general discussion* of the items to be considered during the coordination and management meeting is listed in the programme of work (please *click here*). Requests for inscription on the *list of speakers* should be sent, *in writing*, with the full name and title of the speaker, to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Theresa Olvida (e-mail olvida@un.org; Room S-1281)). Inscriptions to the list of speakers will *close by 17:00* of the preceding day. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for individual delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants*, delegations are kindly requested to send the names of their representatives and alternates attending the meetings of the Council to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants will be issued at the end of the 2016 session of the Council*, containing the names of the participants to the 2016 session of the Council.

Delegations are reminded that *PaperSmart services* will be available for the duration of the 2016 session of the Council. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the Council's PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour in advance* of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the Council's PaperSmart Portal after its delivery by delegations. To access the PaperSmart portal of the Council, please *click here*.

Briefing

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

13:15 to 13:00 Conference Room A

Briefing by the Co-Chair of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management, Mr. Rolando Ocampo (Mexico), on the next steps in the work of the Committee of Experts and the possible operationalization of the recommendations contained in the note by the Secretariat on the programme review of the work of the Committee of Experts (E/2016/47)

All delegations and other interested stakeholders are invited.

Friday, 3 June 2016

Informal consultations

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland), on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the (Switzerland)

First annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), will take place.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations as well as of the United Nations system that wish to participate, should communicate their intention to participate to the secretariat (e-mail duap@un.org), *no later than 12:00, on Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, in order to be provided a seat in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*) and the tentative programme is available by *clicking here*.

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultation

Friday, 3 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30

Conference Room A

Informal consultation on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNOPS

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *164* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *general debate* will take place on Tuesday, 14 June in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of list of speakers, *is open* for inscription, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, *by 17:00, Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*, the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions, shall be sent directly to the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org), or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Event entitled "E-Justice: Sharing National Experiences in Enhancing Transparency, Effectiveness and Access to Justice" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Mexico and Turkey and the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (on behalf of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

10:00 to 12:00 *Conference Room 7*

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Technical briefing on "Monitoring the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and promoting coherence with the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Jamaica, in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 *Conference Room 7*

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ina Hidayat, UNISDR (e-mail hidayat@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9534).

Event on "The Importance of Fatherhood and Motherhood for Integral Development" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with the Universal Peace Federation)

Wednesday, 1 June 2016

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

Panel discussion on "Promoting Migrant Integration and Combating Xenophobia" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and South Africa, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Gough, IOM (e-mail kgough@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 263); or *click here*. To register, please *click here*.

Round table on "Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education" (co-organized by the secretariat of the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (UNSG GEFI), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Andorra, the Republic of Korea and Tunisia)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 12:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, Global Education First Initiative (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5989). To register, please *click here*.

Round table on "Preventing and Overcoming Major Technological Accidents: A Case of United Nations Cooperation on Chernobyl" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Project Chernobyl and the Russian American Foundation)

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Vitaly Mackay, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail vitaly.mackay@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 535-3420). To register, please *click here*.

Special high-level event on "Wildlife Crime and New York Launch of the *World Wildlife Crime Report* (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and Gabon, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

Event entitled "Peace Operations in Action: Developing Capacity for Weapons and Ammunition Management – Case Studies from the Central African Republic and Côte d'Ivoire" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania and the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron Buckley, UNMAS (e-mail buckleya@un.org).

Panel discussion on "Prosecuting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Lessons Learned from the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)" (with the ICTY Prosecutor and Principal Legal Counsel) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Emily Kenney, UN-Women (e-mail emily.kenney@unwomen.org).

Event entitled "Fighting Slavery: Is there a Role for International Criminal Justice?" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein, in collaboration with the United Nations University)

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Mr. Joern Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

Announcements

Briefing to permanent missions

There will be a briefing to permanent missions by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the new e-Speakers system, to be launched in June 2016. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 June 2016, from 15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 1. Focal points and back-up users from the missions are invited to attend this briefing. Note verbale 16/227 on the briefing was sent to all permanent missions on Monday, 23 May 2016. Missions which have not yet registered to the e-Speakers system are invited to register, *as soon as possible*, and before the briefing, by *clicking here*.

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice (Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

The Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs is organizing a seminar on "Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs" (in English only) for delegates of permanent missions, to be held at Headquarters, on Friday, 10 June 2016, from 10:00 to 18:00.

All interested in attending the Seminar should register, *in advance*, by sending an e-mail indicating their name, title and contact information, to Ms. Dina Hamdy (hamdyd@un.org), by *Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*.

2016 election of the International Law Commission

The election of the members of the Commission, for a five-year term beginning on Sunday, 1 January 2017, will take place at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

The permanent representatives are reminded that the Secretary-General would be grateful to receive, *in writing*, by *Wednesday, 1 June 2016*, the names of the candidates which their Government may wish to nominate for election to the International Law Commission, together with the statements of qualifications of such candidates.

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal affairs (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org).

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, *by Tuesday, 31 May 2016,* so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its seventy-first session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft word format *is required.* Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

Resolution 44/1160, paras. 8 and 9, entitled "Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof", adopted on 15 December 1989 (Note verbale ODA/26-2016/WMD-Sea-Bed dated 12 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/61, para. 9, entitled "Women, disarmament, non-proliferation and arms control", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/29-2016/WDNPAC dated 18 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 69/65, paras. 2, 3 and 4, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education", adopted on 2 December 2014 (Note verbale ODA/28-2016/DNPE dated 16 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/24, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/38-2016/NWFZME dated 1 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/30, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/9-2016/EN dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/31, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/10-2016/ML dated 15 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/34, para. 14, entitled "Follow-up to the 2013 high-level meeting of the General Assembly on nuclear disarmament", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/22-2016/HLM-ND dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/36, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/21-2016/WMD-T dated 11 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/39, para. 3, entitled "Treaty banning the production of fissile material for nuclear weapons and other explosive devices", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/37-2016/FMCT dated 25 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/42, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/40-2016/CMB dated 14 March 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/56, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the legality of the threat or use of nuclear weapons", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/23-2016/ICJ dated 10 February 2016 refers);

Resolution 70/72, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region", adopted on 7 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/39-2016/SSCMR dated 4 March 2016 refers); and

Resolution 70/237, para. 4, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security", adopted on 23 December 2015 (Note verbale ODA/11-2016/IS dated 15 February 2016 refers).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn. Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *June 2016*:

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

Law Library overview

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 23 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

19th and 20th meetings

Opening of the resumed Review Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/1 and A/CONF.210/2016/2) [item 1]

The Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs and United Nations Legal Counsel, Mr. Miguel de Serpa Soares, opened the meeting, on behalf of the Secretary-General.

Election of the President [item 2]

A statement was made by the representative of Brazil.

The Conference elected Mr. Fábio Hazin, Professor of the Fisheries and Aquaculture, Department of the Universidade Federal Rural of Pernambuco (Brazil), as President.

The President made a statement.

Address by the Secretary-General or his representative [item 3]

Mr. Miguel de Serpa Soares made a statement, on behalf of the Secretary-General.

Adoption of the agenda [item 4]

The President made a statement.

The Conference considered and adopted the provisional agenda, contained in document A/CONF.210/2016/L.1, as amended.

Election of officers other than the President [item 5]

The President made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Fiji and South Africa.

The Conference elected Mr. Luke Daunivalu (Fiji), Mr. Cristián Laborda (Chile), Mr. Li Yongsheng (China), Ms. María del Mar Fernández Merlo (Spain) and Mr. James Waweru (Kenya) as Vice-Presidents to fill vacancies in the composition of the Bureau.

The President invited the Group of Eastern European States and States not parties to the Agreement to nominate their representatives to fill the remaining vacancies in the composition of the Bureau.

Credentials of representatives to the Conference [item 6]

(a) Appointment of the members of the Credentials Committee

The President made a statement.

The representative of South Africa made a statement.

The Conference confirmed the appointment of the following six States Parties to the Credentials Committee which had been members of the Committee since the beginning of the Review Conference in 2006: Norway, Saint Lucia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Ukraine and Uruguay. The Conference appointed the Netherlands and Nigeria to fill vacancies in the composition of the Credentials Committee.

The President made a statement.

(b) Report of the Credentials Committee

The Credentials Committee held a meeting. It elected, by acclamation, Ms. Sonali Samarasinghe (Sri Lanka) as Chair and Mr. Thembile Elphus Joyini (South Africa) as Vice-Chair.

Organization of work [item 7]

The President made a statement.

General statements were made by representatives of Fiji, Nauru (on behalf of Pacific small island developing States), Japan, Chile, China, the United States, the Russian Federation, the European Union, the Philippines, New Zealand, Canada, Iceland and Norway.

A statement was also made by the observer of the International Union for Conservation of Nature.

The Conference adopted the organization of work (A/CONF.210/2010/L.2), as amended.

Presentation of the report of the twelfth round of informal consultations of States parties to the Agreement [item 8]

The President made a statement.

The Conference considered this item and decided to resume its consideration on Tuesday, 24 May 2016.

The Conference took note of the report (ICSP12/UNFSA/INF.3).

Consideration of the report on the status of the Assistance Fund (A/CONF.210/2016/2) [item 9]

The President made a statement.

The representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations made a statement.

A statement was made by the observer of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas.

Statements were also made by representatives of Bangladesh, Iceland, the Marshall Islands and the European Union.

Assessment of the effectiveness of the Agreement in securing the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, as guided by the organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/1) [item 10]

(a) Review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010

(b) Proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the Agreement

The President invited statements on the review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010, and proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the Agreement, based on the first two framework questions in the draft organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/L.2).

Statements were made by representatives of the United States, the European Union, Japan, Norway, the Republic of Korea, the Marshall Islands, Canada, Chile, the Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Fiji, New Zealand, Barbados, the Russian Federation, China and Australia.

Statements were also made by observers of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission, the Pew Environment Group, Greenpeace and the International Coalition of Fisheries Associations.

Tuesday, 24 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

21st and 22nd meetings *Assessment of the effectiveness of the Agreement in securing the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, as guided by the organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/1)* [item 10]

(a) Review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010

(b) Proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the provisions of the Agreement

The President provided a summary of the discussions.

The President invited statements on the review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010, and proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the provisions of the Agreement, based on the first two framework questions in the draft organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/L.2).

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, the Federated States of Micronesia, the United States, Fiji, the Republic of Korea, Barbados, the European Union, New Zealand, Nauru, Indonesia, Norway, Australia, Chile, the Marshall Islands, Canada, the Russian Federation, Brazil and Kenya.

Statements were also made by observers of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Union for Conservation of Nature, the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission, the North Pacific Fisheries Commission, Greenpeace, the Pew Government Group, the International Coalition of Fisheries Associations and the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Wednesday, 25 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

23rd and 24th meetings *Assessment of the effectiveness of the Agreement in securing the conservation and management of straddling fish stocks and highly migratory fish stocks, as guided by the organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/1)* [item 10]

(a) Review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010

(b) Proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the provisions of the Agreement

The President invited statements on the review of the implementation of the recommendations adopted at the Review Conference in 2006 and 2010, and proposed means of further strengthening, if necessary, the substance and methods of implementation of the provisions of the Agreement, based on the first two framework questions in the organization of work of the Conference (A/CONF.210/2016/L.2).

Statements were made by the representatives of Norway, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Indonesia, the European Union, Fiji, the Marshall Islands, Australia, Chile, the United States, the Russian Federation, New Zealand, Iceland, the Philippines, Kenya, Brazil, Nauru, the Federated States of Micronesia, Canada, Barbados and Nauru (on behalf of the Pacific small island developing States).

Statements were also made by observers of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas, the North-East Atlantic Fisheries Commission, the International Coalition of Fisheries Associations and Greenpeace.

The Director of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea made a statement.

Thursday, 26 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

25th and 26th meetings — The summary of the 25th and 26th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/106).

Friday, 27 May 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7700th meeting — *The situation in Somalia*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Somalia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/484, submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/484) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/484) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2289 (2016).

7701st meeting — *The situation in the Middle East*

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Security Council resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014) and 2258 (2015) (S/2016/460)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Stephen O'Brien, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. O'Brien (via video-teleconference from Geneva).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of the Syrian Arab Republic.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Mr. O'Brien responded to questions and comments raised.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a further statement.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

27th and 28th meetings — The summary of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/106).

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2016 resumed session

25th meeting — *Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee* [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Turkey, the United States, South Africa, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, as well as by the observers for Switzerland and Canada.

The Chair made a procedural ruling.

Statements on the point of order were made by the representatives of the United States and India.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

Statements on the point of order was made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States.

Statements were made by the representatives of Greece, India, Mauritania, the Sudan, Israel, South Africa and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The representative of the Russian Federation made an appeal against the ruling of the Chair.

The Committee, by a roll-call vote of 10 to 5, with 1 abstention, approved the appeal against the ruling of the Chair.

The representative of the United States proposed a roll-call vote on the recommendation that special consultative status be granted to the non-governmental organization, Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights (YCSRR).

Statements in the explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Nicaragua, Greece and India.

The Committee, by a roll-call vote of 5 to 6, with 4 abstentions, rejected the proposal of the United States delegation.

The Secretary of the Committee provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 7 non-governmental organizations.

26th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, the United States, Greece, Israel, India, the Russian Federation, Pakistan, Azerbaijan, China, Nicaragua, Cuba, Israel, Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran posed questions to the representative of the following non-governmental organization: Center of Political Analysis and Information Security.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to two non-governmental organizations.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 27 May 2016

General Assembly

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

[archived video]

1st plenary meeting

The Secretary-General of the Midterm Review declared open the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Porgramme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020.

Election of the President [item 2]

His Excellency Mevlüt Çavuşoğlu, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey, was elected, by acclamation, as President of the Midterm Review.

Opening of the Midterm Review [item 1]

The President made a statement.

Statements were also made by Mr. Mogens Lykketoft, President of the General Assembly; Ms. Helen Clark, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, representing the Secretary-General of the United Nations; Mr. Abdoulaye Bio Tchané, Minister of State for Planning and Development and Special Envoy of the President of the Republic of Benin and former Chair of the Group of the Least Developed Countries; Mr. Khandker Mosharraf Hossain, Minister of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives of Bangladesh and current Chair of the Group of the Least Developed Countries; Mr. Moussa Faki Mahamat, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Chad and Chair of the Executive Council of Ministers of the African Union; Mr. Neven Mimica, European Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development, representing the President of the European Commission; Ms. Sri Mulyani

Indrawati, Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer, World Bank, representing the President of the World Bank Group; Mr. Gauri Pradhan, International Coordinator, Least Developed Watch, representative of the civil society; and Mr. Ömer Cihad Vardan, President of the Foreign Economic Relations Board of Turkey, representative of the private sector.

Adoption of the agenda (A/CONF.228/1) [item 3]

The Midterm Review adopted its provisional agenda, as contained in document A/CONF.228/1.

Election of other officers [item 5]

Turkey was elected, by acclamation, to the vice-presidency *(ex officio)*.

The following nine States were elected, by acclamation, to the vice-presidency of the Midterm Review: Argentina, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Georgia, Hungary, Malawi, Nepal and Yemen.

His Excellency Durga Prasad Bhattarai, Permanent Representative of Nepal to the United Nations in New York, was elected, by acclamation, as Rapporteur of the Midterm Review.

Review of the implementation: general exchange of views [item 6]

The Midterm Review heard addresses by His Excellency Joseph Boakai, Vice-President of the Republic of Liberia; His Excellency Kwesi Bekoe Amissah-Arthur, Vice-President of the Republic of Ghana; and Her Excellency Saara Kuugongelwa-Amadhila, Prime Minister of the Republic of Namibia.

The Midterm Review heard statements by His Excellency Kamal Thapa, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nepal; His Excellency Ziad Abu Amr, Deputy Prime Minister of the State of Palestine; His Excellency Manasseh Maelanga, Deputy Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands; His Excellency Mothetjoa Metsing, Deputy Prime Minister of Lesotho; His Excellency Ardalan Shekarabi, Minister for Public Administration of Sweden; His Excellency Lyonpo Damcho Dorji, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bhutan; His Excellency Otinielu Tauteleimalae Tausi, Speaker of the Parliament of Tuvalu; His Excellency Samura Kamara, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Sierra Leone; His Excellency Ernesto Max Tonela, Minister of Industry and Trade of Mozambique; His Excellency Omar Hamidou Tchiana, State Minister, Minister of Transportation of the Niger.

2nd plenary meeting

The Midterm Review heard statements by Her Excellency Mounia Meslem Amer, Minister of National Solidarity, Family and Women's Status of Algeria; His Excellency Lejeune Mbella Mbella, Minister of External Relations of Cameroon; His Excellency Wahy Taha Abdullah Aman, Minister of Public Works and Highways of Yemen; His Excellency Kamal Aldeen Hasan Ali, Minister of International Cooperation of the Sudan; His Excellency Mame Mbaye Niang, Minister of Youth of Senegal; His Excellency Rafidimanana Narson, Minister of State for Presidential Projects, Land Management and Equipment of Madagascar; His Excellency Yinager Dessie Belay, National Planning Commissioner of Ethiopia; His Excellency Mario Giro, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy; His Excellency Khamlien Pholsena, Vice-Minister of Planning and Investment of Lao People's Democratic Republic; Mr. Christiaan Rebergen, Vice-Minister of International Cooperation of the Netherlands; Her Excellency Rita Solange Agneketom Bogore, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Burkina Faso; His Excellency David Jalagania, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia; His Excellency Naci Koru, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Turkey; His Excellency Yerzhan Ashikbayev, Deputy

Minister for Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan; Her Excellency Maria Angela Braganca, Secretary of State of Angola; Ms. Anne-Marie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Minister of State of Belgium; and His Excellency Fred Omach, Minister of State for Finance, Planning and Economic Development of Uganda.

The Midterm Review also heard statements by the representatives of Thailand (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the European Union, Maldives and Luxemburg.

High-level interactive thematic round tables [archived video]

Round table 1 *"Productive capacity, agriculture, food security, and rural development"*

The Co-Chair of the high-level interactive thematic round table 1, His Excellency Khandker Mosharraf Hossain, Minister of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives of Bangladesh, opened the round table.

Introductory statements were made by the Co-Chairs, His Excellency Ardalan Shekarabi, Minister for Public Administration of Sweden, and His Excellency Khandker Mosharraf Hossain, Minister of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives of Bangladesh.

The keynote statement was made by His Excellency Neven Mimica, Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development of the European Union.

Statements were also made by the following panellists: Her Royal Highness Princess Abze Djigma, Chief Executive Officer, AbzeSolar; Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, Executive Secretary, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific; Ms. Helen Hai, Chief Executive Officer, Made in Africa Initiative; and Mr. Gilbert Houngbo, Deputy Director-General for Field Operations and Partnerships, International Labour Organization.

Statements were made by the representatives of Viet Nam, Zambia, Italy, Brazil, Djibouti, Thailand, Morocco, Sao Tome and Principe, Japan, Eritrea, the Solomon Islands, Israel, Benin, Guinea, Bangladesh, Algeria, Madagascar and Mali.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, International Fund for Agricultural Development and Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The panellists responded to comments made and questions raised.

The Secretary made an announcement.

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3306th meeting *Protection of the atmosphere* [item 8]

The Special Rapporteur, Mr. Shinya Murase, introduced his third report on the topic (A/CN.4/692).

Subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to the interpretation of treaties [item 4]

The Commission continued its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's report on the topic (A/CN.4/694).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice for the Region of Latin America and the Caribbean
Mexico City (18-20 July 2016)

The seminar is co-organized by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) and the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States.

The seminar will address the key aspects of treaty law and practice, including the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, final clauses of multilateral treaties, reservations and declarations, domestic treaty-making practices, and the registration and publication of treaties under article 102 of the Charter. In addition, special sessions will be devoted to international human rights instruments and the newly-adopted Paris Agreement on Climate Change. All presentations will be delivered in Spanish.

Aimed at providing a practical understanding of the law of treaties, the seminar will be of particular interest to members of foreign ministries and other government departments who work directly in treaty matters as part of their functions. Representatives from all States in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean are invited to participate. Participants are required to meet their own costs of participation.

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General information

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The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zimbabwe
His Excellency Frederick Musiiwa Makamure Shava

Asia-Pacific States
Iraq
His Excellency Mohamed Ali Alhakim

Eastern European States
Bosnia and Herzegovina
His Excellency Miloš Vukašinović

Latin American and Caribbean States
Bahamas
His Excellency Elliston Rahming

Western European and other States
Monaco
Her Excellency Isabelle Picco

General Assembly
Seventieth session

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The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

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A/70/885–S/2016/455 Item 37 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 10 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*

A/70/887 Items 108 and 124 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union — Note verbale dated 20 April 2016 from the Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

A/70/895 Items 37 and 38 — The situation in the Middle East — Question of Palestine — Letter dated 19 May 2016 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Observer Mission of the State of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *3 pages*

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Seventy-first session

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2016 session

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Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management
Sixth session

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Security Council

15:00 — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Programme of work

Other matters

[The President of the Security Council for the month of June (France) will provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 1 June 2016, at 16:00, in the Press Briefing Room (S-0237). Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast.] [webcast]

[The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month, *today*, 1 June 2016, at 17:00, in Conference Room 3.]

General Assembly

Seventieth session

10:00 — Conference Room 2

Informal meeting (closed) of the General Assembly on the intergovernmental negotiations on the question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and other matters related to the Security Council

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives.]

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10:00 Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on the zero draft modalities resolution for the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 24 May 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal informal consultations on the final draft resolution on the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at the global level

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

15:00 to 17:00 1850th meeting (closed) Conference Room 8

1. High-level Independent Panel on Peace Operations (HIPPO): report follow-up
2. The situation in Darfur (African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (UNAMID))
3. The situation in the Golan Heights (United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF))

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Coordination and management meeting

10:00 to 13:00 25th meeting [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Statement by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe)
2. Economic and environmental questions: Statistics (E/2016/24) [item 18 (c)]

Introductory statement and general discussion

Action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2016/24)

3. Economic and environmental questions: Cartography (E/CONF.104/9, E/2015/46 and E/2016/47) [item 18 (i)]

Introductory statement and general discussion

Action on the recommendation contained in the report (E/2015/46)

4. Economic and environmental questions: Human settlements (E/2016/54) [item 18 (d)]

Introductory statement and general discussion

5. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (E/2016/73 and E/2016/L.15/Rev.1) [item 2]

Action on the recommendation contained in document E/2016/73 and on draft decision E/2016/L.15/Rev.1

6. The role of the United Nations system in implementing the ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council [item 10]

Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits (A/71/76–E/2016/55) [item 11]

Joint consideration of the items

Introductory statement and general discussion

7. Economic and environmental questions: Assistance to third States affected by the applications of sanctions [item 18 (k)]

General discussion

15:00 **26th meeting** [webcast] **Economic and Social Council Chamber**

Economic and environmental questions: Sustainable development (A/71/76–E/2016/55 and E/2016/33) [item 18 (a)]

Introductory statement and general discussion

Afternoon (following the adjournment of the 26th meeting) **Informal meeting** [webcast] **Economic and Social Council Chamber**

Presentation on the *World Economic Situation and Prospects 2016* (updates as of mid-2016)

Introductory statements and interactive discussion

[For additional information, including the programme of work, please consult the Website of the Council (*click here*) or contact Mr. Marc-André Dorel, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination (e-mail dorel@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7204).

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Briefing

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room A

Briefing by the Co-Chair of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management, Mr. Rolando Ocampo (Mexico), on the next steps in the work of the Committee of Experts and the possible operationalization of the recommendations contained in the note by the Secretariat on the programme review of the work of the Committee of Experts (E/2016/47)

All delegations and other interested stakeholders are invited.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2016 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 29th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Other related matters (E/C.2/2016/CRP.13 and E/C.2/2016/CRP.14) [item 6 (c)]
2. Special reports [item 7]
3. New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification [item 3 (b)]
4. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]
5. Provisional agenda and documentation for the 2017 session of the Committee (E/C.2/2016/L.1) [item 9]
6. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its 2016 session [item 10]

Committee for Programme and Coordination
Fifty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00 4th meeting (closed) Conference Room 5

Programme questions [item 3]

(c) Evaluation

Triennial review of the implementation of recommendations on the programme evaluation of the United Nations Environment Programme (E/AC.51/2016/2)

Introduction and general discussion

Triennial review of the implementation of recommendations on the programme evaluation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (E/AC.51/2016/4)

Introduction and general discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 5th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 5

Programme questions [item 3]

(c) Evaluation

Triennial review of the implementation of recommendations on the programme evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (E/AC.51/2016/3)

Introduction and general discussion

(b) Programme planning

(ii) Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019

Part one: plan outline (A/70/6 (Part one))

Review of part two: biennial programme plan, by sectoral, functional and regional bodies (E/AC.51/2016/CRP.1)

Introduction and general discussion

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Group of 77 (on oceans and the law of the sea)

09:00 to 09:45 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Trusteeship Council Chamber

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Event entitled "E-Justice: Sharing National Experiences in Enhancing Transparency, Effectiveness and Access to Justice" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Italy, Mexico and Turkey and the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (on behalf of the Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

10:00 to 12:00 — [webcast] — Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Adriana de la Espriella (e-mail delaespriella@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2962); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Group of Friends of Culture and Development: Informal meeting on the preparatory process for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Peru and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

13:15 to 14:30 — Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Glauco Seoane, Permanent Mission of Peru (e-mail gseoane@unperu.org; tel. 1 (212) 687-3336).

Technical briefing on "Monitoring the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030 and promoting coherence with the Sustainable Development Goals" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Finland and Jamaica, in collaboration with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and the Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ina Hidayat, UNISDR (e-mail hidayat@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9534).

Event on "The Importance of Fatherhood and Motherhood for Integral Development" (organized by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See, in collaboration with the Universal Peace Federation)

15:00 to 17:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

All are invited. For more information, please contact the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See (e-mail office@holyseemission.org; tel. 1 (212) 370-7885).

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Tuesday, 2 June 2016

10:00 Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the modalities and organizational arrangements of the high-level plenary meeting to address large movements of refugees and migrants

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 27 May 2016 and 31 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

10:00 Conference Room 12

15:00 Conference Room 12

Informal informal consultations on the zero draft of the political declaration, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level meeting on HIV/AIDS

15:00 Conference Room 4

Informal informal consultations of the Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

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High-level thematic conversation

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

High-level thematic conversation on children and youth affected by violent extremism, convened by the President of the General Assembly

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 17 March and 27 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Schedule of General Assembly informal meetings with additional candidates for the post of Secretary-General

Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

In accordance with resolution 69/321, the General Assembly will conduct informal dialogues with additional candidates for the post of Secretary-General, providing candidates an opportunity to present their candidatures and Member States with an opportunity to ask questions and interact with them. Each segment will consist of a two hour time slot. For more information regarding the schedule, please *click here*.

Member States are requested to limit their interventions to *two minutes* (*three minutes* for groups); questions posed by groups are encouraged. A mechanism to facilitate compliance with the time limit will be installed. Representatives from civil society will be given the floor per segment to ask a question, time permitting.

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 February and 24 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

High-level meeting of the General Assembly on HIV/AIDS

(Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016)

Pursuant to decision 68/555 of 30 June 2014 and resolution 70/228 of 23 December 2015, a high-level meeting of the General Assembly to undertake a comprehensive review of the progress achieved in realizing the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS of 2006 and 2011, will be held from Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the General Assembly Hall for plenary meetings and the Trusteeship Council Chamber for the thematic panel discussions. Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 22 April, 3 May and 11 May 2016, were sent to all permanent representatives and

permanent observers. Delegations wishing to speak during the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5063), with copy to Ms. Mary Muturi (e-mail muturi@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that statements in plenary should not exceed *five minutes* when speaking in national capacity and to *eight minutes* when speaking on behalf of a group. For more information on the event, please *click here*.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 — 26th meeting — Conference Room 3

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (A/C.4/70/L.24) [item 56]

Sixth Biennial Meeting of States to Consider the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Thursday, 2 June 2016

09:30 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 1

Open-ended informal consultations, chaired by His Excellency E. Courtenay Rattray (Jamaica), in his capacity as the Chair-designate of the Sixth Biennial Meeting of States

For relevant documents, please *click here*.

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 — Conference Room 4

The provisional agenda and programme of work are contained in documents A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.1 and A/CONF.192/BMS/2016/L.2, respectively. For further information, please *click here*.

Participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegation to the Secretary, Mr. Kenji Nakano (e-mail chen50@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5305). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Informal hearings with representatives of major groups and other stakeholders in preparation for the Conference

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 — Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, two-day informal hearings with representatives of major groups and other stakeholders, convened to exchange views with countries on the zero draft of the outcome document of the Conference

[A letter from the Co-Chairs, dated 16 February 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers. The programme and detailed supporting documentation will be made available on the Conference website (please *click here*).]

Informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference

Wednesday, 8, to Friday, 10 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/210 of 22 December 2015, informal intergovernmental negotiations on the draft outcome document of the Conference, convened by the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference

[The Co-Chairs have circulated in a letter dated 6 May 2016 to all permanent representatives and permanent observers the zero draft outcome document of the Conference. To view the zero draft outcome document, please *click here*.]

Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole on the Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment, including Socioeconomic Aspects

Informal open meeting

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Informal open meeting to consider lessons learned from the first cycle of the Regular Process and the way forward towards implementation of the second cycle, in advance of the upcoming seventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Whole, to take place at Headquarters (3-9 August 2016)

The provisional agenda and annotated provisional agenda are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (*click here*).

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea
Seventeenth meeting

Monday, 13, to Friday, 17 June 2016 Conference Room 1

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 69/245, as recalled in General Assembly resolution 70/235, the meeting will focus its discussions on the topic "Marine debris, plastics and microplastics".

The format and annotated provisional agenda of the meeting are contained in document A/AC.259/L.17. The report of the Secretary-General on oceans and the law of the sea, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, is contained in document A/71/74. Both documents, as well as the table of panellists for the seventeenth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, are available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the Meeting to the Division by *Friday, 10 June 2016* (e-mail doalos@un.org; Room DC2-450; fax 1 (917) 367-0560).

States representing a Group of States wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division (e-mail salpin@un.org).

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the seventeenth meeting of the Informal Consultative Process. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart8@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide twenty hardcopies of the text for the technical services no later than one hour before delivery of the statement.

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the meeting can be consulted by *clicking here.*

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Informal briefings

Thursday, 9 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

Friday, 10 June 2016

14:00 to 15:30 Conference Room 9

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

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Monday, 13 June 2016

10:30 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

Informal negotiations on draft decisions

Monday, 13 June 2016

12:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

Friday, 17 June 2016

14:00 to 15:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/1: Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the strategic plan, 2014-2017, including the midterm review of the strategic plan

15:00 to 16:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/2: Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2015

16:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 9

Draft decision 2016/3: Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2015

[Given the limited duration of the annual session, the negotiations on the above draft decisions will continue within the timeframe of the Board session on Monday, 27, and Tuesday, 28 June 2016. Further details on the annual session will be published in due course. Draft decisions and any relevant information will be electronically circulated by the secretariat, on behalf of the facilitators, initially for written comments.]

Pre-session informal meeting

Monday, 20 June 2016

10:00 to 10:30 Conference Room 4

As per its rules of procedure, pre-session informal meeting of the Executive Board in advance of the 2016 annual session

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Security Council

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on sexual violence in conflict, in connection with the agenda item "Women and peace and security".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

Open briefing

Wednesday, 8 June 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

The Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will hold an open briefing to all Member States on the work of the Committee and the comprehensive review of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). All Member States are invited.

Formal open consultations

Monday, 20, to Wednesday, 22 June 2016 Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004), as set forth in paragraph 3 of resolution 1977 (2011), is currently conducting a comprehensive review on the status of the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004). In this connection, the Chair of the 1540 Committee, His Excellency Román Oyarzun Marchesi (Spain), will convene formal open consultations of the Committee with Member States, relevant international and regional organizations, and appropriate sectors of civil society. Additional information will be provided in the near future.

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

Friday, 3 June 2016

Informal consultations

10:00 to 13:00 *Conference Room 8*

Informal consultations (closed) on the draft resolution of the humanitarian affairs segment (under agenda item 9) of the 2016 session of the Council, convened by the co-facilitators (Bangladesh and Switzerland), on behalf of the Vice-Presidency of the (Switzerland)

First annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals

Monday, 6, and Tuesday, 7 June 2016 Conference Room 1

In accordance with General Assembly resolutions 69/313 and 70/1, the first annual multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals (STI forum) on the theme "Realizing the potential of science, technology and innovation for all to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals", convened by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Republic of Korea), will take place.

There will be no pre-determined list of speakers and participants are encouraged to refrain from reading prepared statements.

All are invited to attend. Since a flexible seating arrangement will be used, Member States that are not members of the Council, representatives of intergovernmental organizations as well as of the United Nations system that wish to participate, should communicate their intention to participate to the secretariat (e-mail duap@un.org), *no later than 12:00, today,* 1 June 2016, in order to be provided a seat in the conference room. All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more details on the STI forum, please contact Mr. Wei Liu, Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail liuw@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3212). Additional information, including the tentative programme, is also available on the website of the STI forum (*click here*).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Informal briefing

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

Informal briefing on: (a) UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2015 annual report to the Executive Board and management response; and (b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2015

All interested delegations are invited.

Annual session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2016/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, but *no later than Friday, 10 June 2016*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The upcoming 2016 annual session will be a PaperSmart session of the UNICEF Executive Board. This means that instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board website.

All session documents will continue to be available on the existing 'Documents' webpage, as per established practice. In addition, the UNICEF Executive Board homepage will provide a link to the 'In-session' webpage that will make available all supporting documentation (Powerpoints and statements, etc.) to the individual meetings.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano@unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the 'In-session' webpage on the UNICEF Executive Board website. The time limit set for statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2016

Monday, 6, to Friday, 10 June 2016 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2016/L.2. Kindly note that documents for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website.

Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Ms. Henrietta Bledman (e-mail henrietta.bledman@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA.

The annual session 2016 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart portal. The PaperSmart portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart portal. Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), at least two hours in advance of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *15 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services; the United Nations Children's Fund; the World Food Programme; and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Joint meeting

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 3

All member and observer delegations are invited.

United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultation

Friday, 3 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room A

Informal consultation on the annual report of the Executive Director of UNOPS

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Ninth session

Tuesday, 14, to Thursday, 16 June 2016

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary *quorum* for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are *164* States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is *109* States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

The *general debate* will take place on Tuesday, 14 June in the morning. To facilitate the preparation of list of speakers, *is open* for inscription, delegations are kindly requested to communicate to the secretariat, *by 17:00, Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*, the relevant information, indicating the full name and title of the speaker. Inscriptions, shall be sent directly to the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail zhangg@un.org).

The *election* to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information).

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat via e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905).

States parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in meetings.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat via e-mail (zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org), or visit UN Enable website (www.un.org/disabilities).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Panel discussion on "Promoting Migrant Integration and Combating Xenophobia" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada and South Africa, in collaboration with the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kate Gough, IOM (e-mail kgough@iom.int; tel. 1 (212) 681-7000, ext. 263); or *click here*. To register, please *click here*.

Round table on "Prevention of Violent Extremism through Education" (co-organized by the secretariat of the United Nations Secretary-General's Global Education First Initiative (UNSG GEFI), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Andorra, the Republic of Korea and Tunisia)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00 to 12:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Boran Choi, Global Education First Initiative (e-mail b.choi@unesco.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5989). To register, please *click here*.

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

16:15 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Opening of the photo exhibition "National Contributions to Sustainable Development Goal 7 and Sustainable Energy for All (Astana EXPO-2017): Exploring New Horizons" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan)

Thursday, 2 June 2016

18:00 Delegates' Entrance Lobby (General Assembly Building)

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Alma Konurbayeva, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail alma.konurbayeva@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, ext. 329).

Round table on "Preventing and Overcoming Major Technological Accidents: A Case of United Nations Cooperation on Chernobyl" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belarus, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Project Chernobyl and the Russian American Foundation)

Friday, 3 June 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Vitaly Mackay, Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mail vitaly.mackay@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 535-3420). To register, please *click here*.

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties

Monday, 6 June 2016

10:00 to 11:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Special high-level event on "Wildlife Crime and New York Launch of the *World Wildlife Crime Report* (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and Gabon, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

Event entitled "Peace Operations in Action: Developing Capacity for Weapons and Ammunition Management – Case Studies from the Central African Republic and Côte d'Ivoire" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Lithuania and the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Aaron Buckley, UNMAS (e-mail buckleya@un.org).

Event entitled "Trade, Transparency and Illicit Trafficking" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the Small Arms Survey (SAS))

Monday, 6 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sangeetha Wickram, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail sangeetha.wickramasingam@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (212) 286-1540, ext. 850405).

Thirteenth Rafael M. Salas Memorial Lecture on "The Importance of Investing in Young People to Achieve Sustainable Development and the Demographic Dividend" (organized by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA))

Monday, 6 June 2016

16:30 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lourdeth A. Ferguson, UNFPA (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4952).

Panel discussion on "Prosecuting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Lessons Learned from the International Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)" (with the ICTY Prosecutor and Principal Legal Counsel) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Belgium and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Emily Kenney, UN-Women (e-mail emily.kenney@unwomen.org).

Event entitled "The Role of Innovation and Technology for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the Permanent Missions of Finland and Kenya)

Tuesday, 7 June 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 1

All are invited. For, further information, please contact Ms. Marta Caruda, UNIDO (e-mail m.caruda@unido.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6885).

Event entitled "Science Addressing Drugs and the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV): State of the Art" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Kazakhstan, Germany and Switzerland and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) and the World Health Organization (WHO))

Friday, 10 June 2016

08:00 to 09:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Damira Zhanatova, Permanent Mission of Kazakhstan (e-mail damira.zhanatova@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, ext. 306).

Event entitled "Fighting Slavery: Is there a Role for International Criminal Justice?" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein, in collaboration with the United Nations University)

Friday, 10 June 2016

15:00 to 16:30

Conference Room 1

All are invited. For further information and for registration, please contact Mr. Joern Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

Event on "Women and Youth Entrepreneurship in Africa" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy and the Office of the Special Adviser for Africa (OSAA))

Monday, 13 June 2016

10:00 to 12:30

Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jessica Cupellini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

Announcements

Briefing to permanent missions

There will be a briefing to permanent missions by the Assistant Secretary-General for General Assembly and Conference Management on the new e-Speakers system, to be launched in June 2016. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 2 June 2016, from 15:00 to 16:00, in Conference Room 1. Focal points and back-up users from the missions are invited to attend this briefing. Note verbale 16/227 on the briefing was sent to all permanent missions on Monday, 23 May 2016. Missions which have not yet registered to the e-Speakers system are invited to register, *as soon as possible*, and before the briefing, by *clicking here*.

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice (Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (OLA))

The Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs is organizing a seminar on "Treaty Law and Practice: The Work of the Treaty Section of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs" (in English only) for delegates of permanent missions, to be held at Headquarters, on Friday, 10 June 2016, from 10:00 to 18:00.

All interested in attending the Seminar should register, *in advance*, by sending an e-mail indicating their name, title and contact information, to Ms. Dina Hamdy (hamdyd@un.org), by *Tuesday, 7 June 2016, at the latest*.

2016 election of the International Law Commission

The election of the members of the Commission, for a five-year term beginning on Sunday, 1 January 2017, will take place at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

The permanent representatives are reminded that the Secretary-General would be grateful to receive, *in writing*, by *today*, 1 June 2016, the names of the candidates which their Government may wish to nominate for election to the International Law Commission, together with the statements of qualifications of such candidates.

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal affairs (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org).

International Law Seminar for African Universities — Urgent appeal for voluntary contributions

The first International Law Seminar for African Universities is scheduled to take place at the Kofi Annan Centre in Accra, Ghana, from Monday, 15, to Friday, 26 August 2016, to promote capacity building in international law education for the benefit of teachers from academic institutions and government training centres throughout the region.

The African Institute of International Law will conduct the seminar in cooperation with the host country, Ghana, the Kofi Annan Centre, the African Union and the Codification Division of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/116.

Information concerning the seminar is available on the website of the African Institute of International Law. The seminar is subject to funding by voluntary contributions.

The Permanent Representative of Ghana to the United Nations wishes to express her gratitude to China, Italy and New Zealand for their generous contributions to support the seminar. Additional voluntary contributions are urgently needed to support this seminar.

For more information, please see the website of the African Institute of International Law (*click here*); or contact the Secretary of the Advisory Committee on the Programme of Assistance, Ms. Virginia Morris (e-mail morrisv@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2016:

Nineteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (21 June 2016): election to replace twelve members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information);

Thirty-fifth meeting of States parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (23 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Human Rights Committee whose terms expire on 31 December 2016 (*click here* for general information); and

Sixteenth meeting of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (30 June 2016): election to replace nine members of the Committee on the Rights of the Child whose terms expire on 28 February 2017 (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting in question.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for the Conference of States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should only be submitted to the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (Attn. Mr. Guozhong Zhang (e-mail zhangg@un.org; Room S-2905)). Original copies of credentials and names of delegates, duly signed by the head of state or government or foreign minister, for all other meetings should be submitted to the New York Office of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Attn. Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room DC1-213)).

Details on the procedures for the nomination of candidates for each of these elections will be communicated to States parties via notes verbales from OHCHR Geneva.

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *June 2016*:

General Assembly documentation

Introduction to United Nations documents

Security Council documentation

Research on the United Nations Charter

Law Library overview

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates. The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009.

For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), as well as several Parts of the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 26 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

25th and 26th meetings — The summary of the 25th and 26th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/107).

Friday, 27 May 2016

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Review Conference on the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

27th and 28th meetings — The summary of the 27th and 28th meetings of the Review Conference will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/107).

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7702nd meeting

Reports of the Secretary-General on the Sudan and South Sudan

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of South Sudan to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/493, submitted by the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/493) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/493) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2290 (2016).

After the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation and the United States, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Egypt.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of South Sudan.

7703rd meeting

Implementation of the note by the President of the Security Council (S/2010/507)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, France, Angola, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the United States, Uruguay, Spain, Japan, the United Kingdom, Ukraine, China, New Zealand, Malaysia and Senegal, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Egypt.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2016 resumed session

27th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of South Africa, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Israel, Cuba, China, Turkey, Azerbaijan, the Russian Federation, the United States, the Sudan, Greece, Mauritania and India, as well as by the observers for the United Kingdom, Armenia and Estonia.

The Secretary of the Committee and the Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the Members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to seven non-governmental organizations.

28th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, China and Turkey.

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (b)]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Turkey, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, South Africa and the Russian Federation, as well by the observer for Brazil.

The Acting Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council [item 4 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Azerbaijan, Cuba, China and Nicaragua.

The representatives of Turkey, South Africa and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela posed questions to the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: Association for Trauma Outreach and Prevention Inc.; and USA Refugees & Immigrants Corporation.

Other related matters [item 6 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Greece, South Africa and China.

The representative of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to one non-governmental organization, the status of two organizations be reclassified from special consultative status to general and that the status of one organization be reclassified from roster to special consultative status.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Sunday, 29 May 2016

General Assembly

Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020

[archived video]

5th plenary meeting

Review of the implementation: general exchange of views [item 6]

The Midterm Review heard a statement by the representative of Bahrain.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the World Intellectual Property Organization, the International Organization for Migration, the International Telecommunication Union, the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and the United Nations Tourism Organization.

6th plenary meeting

Thematic round-table meetings [item 7]

In accordance with paragraph 10 of General Assembly resolution 70/261 of 15 April 2016, the Midterm Review heard summaries by Co-Chairs of the four round tables, as follows:

His Excellency Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations in New York, presented, on behalf of the Co-Chairs, a summary of round table 1, entitled "Productive capacity, agriculture, food security and rural development";

His Excellency Axel Addy, Minister of Commerce and Industry of Liberia and Co-Chair, presented a summary of round table 2, entitled "Trade and commodities, economic diversification and graduation";

His Excellency Raymond Tshibanda, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Co-Chair, presented a summary of round table 3, entitled "Human and social development and good governance at all levels"; and

Her Excellency Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Minister of State of Belgium and Co-Chair, presented a summary of round table 4, entitled "Multiple crises and other emerging challenges, mobilizing financial resources for development and capacity-building".

Adoption of the political declaration (A/CONF.228/L.1) [item 8]

The Midterm Review adopted draft resolution A/CONF.228/L.1, as technically updated.

Adoption of the report of the Midterm Review (A/CONF.228/L.2 and A/CONF.228/L.3) [item 9]

The representative of Thailand, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/CONF.228/L.2.

The Midterm Review adopted draft resolution A/CONF.228/L.2.

The Rapporteur, His Excellency Durga Prasad Bhattarai (Nepal), made a statement, in the course of which he introduced the draft report of the Midterm Review (A/CONF.228/L.3).

The Midterm Review adopted the draft report and authorized the Rapporteur to finalize the report, taking into account the proceedings of the 6th plenary meeting, in conformity with the practice of the United Nations.

Closure of the Midterm Review [item 10]

The Midterm Review heard statement by Mr. Guediouma Sanogo, Member of the National Parliament of Mali, and Mr. Gauri Pradhan, International Coordinator of LDC Watch.

The Secretary-General of the Midterm Review made a statement.

The President of the Midterm Review made a statement.

The President declared closed the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020.

High-level interactive thematic round table [archived video]

Round table 4 *"Multiple crises and other emerging challenges, mobilizing financial resources for development and capacity-building"*

The Co-Chair of the high-level interactive thematic round table, His Excellency Manasseh Maelanga, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Home Affairs of the Solomon Islands, opened the round table.

An introductory statement was made by the Co-Chair, Her Excellency Annemie Neyts-Uyttebroeck, Minister of State, Belgium.

The keynote statement was made by Mr. Mahmoud Mohieldin, Senior Vice-President for the 2030 Development Agenda, United Nations Relations, and Partnerships, World Bank Group.

Statements were also made by the following panellists and discussants: Professor A. Arif Ergin, Head of the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK); Ms. Cihan Sultanoğlu, Assistant Secretary-General and Director for Europe and Central Asia, United Nations Development Programme; Professor Patrick Guillaumont, President, Ferdi and Emeritus Professor, University of Auvergne; Mr. Chandra Prasad Dhakal, Executive Chairman, Global IME Bank; Mr. Amir Mahmoud Abdulla, Deputy Executive Director, World Food Programme; and Mr. Federico Bonaglia, Deputy Director, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Statements were made by the representatives of Myanmar, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Thailand, Nepal, the Solomon Islands, Guinea, Canada, Eritrea and Benin.

A statement was made by the representative of the International Monetary Fund.

The keynote speaker, panellists, discussant and the representative of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, responded to comments made and questions raised.

Tuesday, 31 May 2016

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3307th meeting *Subsequent agreements and subsequent practice in relation to the interpretation of treaties* [item 4]

The Commission continued its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's fourth report on the topic (A/CN.4/694). The Special Rapporteur summed up the debate. The Commission decided to refer draft conclusions 1a) and 12 to the Drafting Committee.

Protection of the atmosphere [item 8]

The Commission began its consideration of the Special Rapporteur's third report on the topic (A/CN.4/692).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons. New York, 28 September 1954

Accession: Mali (27 May 2016)

Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness. New York, 30 August 1961

Accession: Mali (27 May 2016)

Minamata Convention on Mercury. Kumamoto, 10 October 2013

Ratification: Mali (27 May 2016)

Seminar on Treaty Law and Practice for the Region of Latin America and the Caribbean
Mexico City (18-20 July 2016)

The seminar is co-organized by the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations (OLA) and the Office of the Legal Advisor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States.

The seminar will address the key aspects of treaty law and practice, including the depositary functions of the Secretary-General, final clauses of multilateral treaties, reservations and declarations, domestic treaty-making practices, and the registration and publication of treaties under article 102 of the Charter. In addition, special sessions will be devoted to international human rights instruments and the newly-adopted Paris Agreement on Climate Change. All presentations will be delivered in Spanish.

Aimed at providing a practical understanding of the law of treaties, the seminar will be of particular interest to members of foreign ministries and other government departments who work directly in treaty matters as part of their functions. Representatives from all States in the region of Latin America and the Caribbean are invited to participate. Participants are required to meet their own costs of participation.

For more information, please consult the United Nations Treaty Collection website (*click here*).

Further enquiries may be addressed to Mr. Jonathan Agar, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs (e-mail agar@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2630).

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *June 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Zambia
Her Excellency Mwaba Patricia Kasese-Bota

Asia-Pacific States
Japan
His Excellency Yoshifumi Okamura
Chargé d'affaires

Eastern European States
Bulgaria
His Excellency Stephan Tafrov

Latin American and Caribbean States
Barbados
His Excellency Keith Hamilton Llewellyn Marshall

Western European and other States
Norway
His Excellency Geir Pedersen

General Assembly
Seventieth session

For the online schedule of formal and informal meetings of the General Assembly during the resumed part of the seventieth session, please *click here*.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

For *future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council* pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, the election for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place *in the afternoon* on Tuesday, 14 June 2016. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council will take place on Tuesday, 28 June 2016.

The *election of the President* of the General Assembly at its seventy-first session, as well as the *election of the Vice-Presidents and Chairs of the Main Committees* at its seventy-first session will take place on Monday, 13 June 2016.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

Seventy-first session

The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/50.

Request for conference rooms and services at United Nations Headquarters

For reservation of conference rooms at United Nations Headquarters, please contact the Meeting Management Section/Central Planning and Coordination Division/Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (MMS/CPCD/DGACM) (e-mail emeetsm@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8114; or 1 (212) 963-7351).

After a conference room has been assigned in eMeets, please contact the following offices if other services are also needed:

For access and security-related matters, please contact Lieutenant Malinda McCormack/DSS (e-mail mccormackm@un.org, or levyd@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7028);

For nameplates, podium signs and room set-up, please contact the Preparatory Work Team/DGACM (e-mail prepwork@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7348);

For PaperSmart Portal matters, please contact the PaperSmart Team/DGACM (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7349);

For publishing material for inclusion in the *Journal*, please contact the Journal Unit/DGACM (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888; or 1 (212) 963-0493);

For media access and accreditation, please contact the Media Accreditation and Liaison Unit/DPI (e-mail malu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6934);

For detailed information on the policies and procedures regarding the use of conference rooms, facilities and services at the United Nations Headquarters, please refer to document ST/AI/416.

Documentation Services for Delegates provided by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM)

Useful *links* to United Nations documentation resources can be found at www.un.org/documents. The Official Document System (ODS) features an enhanced search page (documents.un.org) which, using keywords, facilitates considerably the search and retrieval of documents.

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Based on RSS feeds (Really Simple Syndication), the latest edition of the *Journal* and parliamentary documents issued daily at Headquarters can be accessed readily on a computer or hand-held smart device. Sign-up is free and easy by visiting the eSubscription page at www.undocs.org.

An overview of all documents with the options "e-mail" or "RSS" next to each document category is located there. After sign-up, documents will be sent to the subscriber via e-mail as soon as they are made available. Comments, questions and suggestions are invited to be sent to help-desk@un.org.

The *DGACM Documents Assistance Centre (DAC)* located in the North Delegates Lounge in Room CB-0264 is a central point of support for delegates seeking documentation assistance. In addition, the Delegates' Documents Counter is located adjacent to the Accessibility Centre in Room S-01B32. To contact the DAC, please call 1 (212) 963-2105; and/or e-mail dac@un.org.

Conference Officer Desks and/or Documents Counters are located in each of the following conference rooms in the Secretariat Building: Conference Rooms 1, 2, 3 and 4, the General Assembly Hall, the Economic and Social Council Chamber and the Trusteeship Council Chamber, where documents for the meeting being held at that time may be obtained.

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Council (e-mailed dpa-scsb3@un.org; Room S-2472; fax 1 (917) 367-0406). For queries, please call 1 (212) 963-5258.

The *website of the Presidency* of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

Information about previously *unscheduled meetings* and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by clicking on "Programme of work" on the website of the Security Council at www.un.org/en/sc; or by calling 1 (212) 963-5258.

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of *prepared statements* which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered.

Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Room Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; Room S-0220).

Information regarding the *Journal of the United Nations*

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Back issues of the *Journal*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp and www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp. All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcome. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

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Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 31 May 2016

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations http://documents.un.org in the electronic version of the present Journal.

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	Seventieth session
A/70/900–S/2016/474	Items 44 and 79 (a) — Question of Cyprus Oceans and the law of the sea — Letter dated 23 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
	International Law Commission **Sixty-eighth session**
A/CN.4/693	First report on jus cogens by Dire Tladi, Special Rapporteur [A C E F R S] — *46 pages*
	Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020
A/CONF.228/L.3	Item 9 — Adoption of the report of the Midterm Review — Draft report of the Comprehensive High-level Midterm Review of the Implementation of the Istanbul Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2011-2020 [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
Security Council	
S/2016/453	Letter dated 17 May 2016 from the President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *27 pages*
S/2016/454	Letter dated 17 May 2016 from the President of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991, addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *33 pages*
A/70/900–S/2016/474	Letter dated 23 May 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Greece to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2016/482	Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Central Africa and the activities of the United Nations Regional Office for Central Africa [A C E F R S] — *18 pages*
S/2016/483	Letter dated 24 May 2016 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2016/486	Letter dated 24 May 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2016/487	Letter dated 26 May 2016 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/Agenda/7700	Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/Agenda/7701 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

S/RES/2289 (2016) Adopted by the Security Council at its 7700th meeting, on 27 May 2016 [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

Economic and Social Council

2016 session

E/2016/71 Item 12 (e) — Coordination, programme and other questions: African countries emerging from conflict — Implementation of integrated, coherent and coordinated support to South Sudan by the United Nations system — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *8 pages*

E/2016/73 Item 2 — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters Requests from non-governmental organizations to be heard by the Economic and Social Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

E/2016/L.15/Rev.1 Item 2 — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Revised draft decision submitted by the Vice-Presidents of the Council, Alejandro Palma Cerna (Honduras) and Jürg Lauber (Switzerland), on the basis of informal consultations — Economic and Social Council event to discuss the transition from relief to development [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

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